GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:168
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Survey to Connect Darrang District
Deka Shri Ramen

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has examined the survey already done to connect Darrang District;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (c): For assessing viability of providing rail connectivity to Darrang District, a survey for new line from Changsari to Tezpur via Sipajhar, Mangaldoi, Kharupetia, Dalgaon, Sialmari, Basimari, Routa & Orang has been completed in 2013-14. As per survey report, the cost of 155 km line has been assessed as `2055 crore with a negative Rate of Return of 14.25%. Due to unremunerative nature, the project has been shelved.
However, a fresh survey for a new line from Rangiya to Dekargaon via Dumnichowki, Bezera, Sipajhar, Mangaldai, Kharupetia, Dalgaon & Orang (140 km) covering Darang district of Assam has been sanctioned on 13.10.2016 and taken up.

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